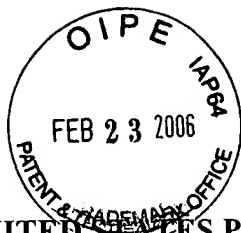


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PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action mailed August 19, 2005, said period of response being extended from November 19, 2005 to February 21, 2006.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in the amount of \$510.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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